

CONGRESSIONAL NEWS

Immigration Bills Under Discussion.

FOUR OF THEM IN THE HOUSE

The Senate Disposes of the District of Columbia Appropriation Bill Carrying \$7,300,000.

WASHINGTON, May 19.—The house today entered upon a two days debate of the immigration bills reported from the immigration committee.

Before the debate began a resolution was adopted instructing the sergeant-at-arms to summon the clerks of the counties in the sixteenth district of Illinois for the purpose of recounting the ballots in the Sinker-Dwight contest.

The title of Mr. Owens of Kentucky, to his seat was confirmed and Messrs. Steele, of Indiana, Cousins of Iowa, and McClelland of New York, were appointed on the board of visitors to West Point.

At 12:30 p. m. the debate on the immigration bills was opened by Bartholdi of Missouri, chairman of the immigration committee.

The bills were four in number. One, known variously as the Bartholdi, McCall or Lodge bill, provided an educational test to exclude all the persons between 16 and 40 years of age who could not read and write English or some other language.

Another, the Stone bill, provided for the inspection of the committee by our consular officers and their certification that the immigrants do not belong to any of the classes of immigrants excluded by existing contract labor or other immigration law.

The Corlies bill, offered as a substitute, applied wholly to the Canadian border and made it unlawful for any alien to enter the United States (except to teach new arts or industries) and engage in any mechanical trade or manual labor.

The Mahoney bill, also offered as a substitute, makes all contracts by aliens to perform labor in the United States illegal. It also makes it unlawful for any person to employ labor in the United States who has become a citizen of the United States and returned to a foreign country to make that his home.

Johnson, Republican of California, then offered a sweeping motion to absolutely exclude all "foreign-born" laborers, skilled or unskilled, and to make captains and masters of vessels responsible for the character of their passengers. This was also ruled out.

Bartholdi said that there was no question as to the exclusion of labor, but little understood as the problem of immigration. There was, he thought, too much passion and prejudice in the demand for certain classes of labor.

W. A. Stone, Republican of Pennsylvania, the author of the Stone bill, explained its provisions and advocated its passage. He argued, he argued, that the immigration for the last ten years had exceeded the natural increase.

Stone challenged this statement, contending that the natural increase was 1,000,000 in a year, while the immigration had averaged only about 250,000 a year.

On a vote during the hour of the past three years immigration had fallen off, but with the prospect of returning prosperity and high wages it would increase to its former proportions.

Corlies submitted an argument in favor of his bill for the exclusion of foreigners who crossed our frontiers each year to compete with American labor, and the testimony of inspection agents and others along the Canadian border as to the evil effects of the annual influx of the Canadian "birds of passage."

Stone, Republican of Massachusetts, favored the McCall bill. He said that there was a strong demand in the country for radical legislation to restrict immigration and that congress could not act to disregard it.

At 5 p. m. the house adjourned.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, May 19.—The senate today passed the District of Columbia appropriation bill, carrying \$7,300,000.

THE STORM AND FLOOD

Serious Damage by Water in Minnesota.

POORER CLASSES THE LOSERS

Another Twister Visits Southwestern Kansas—Extent of the Damage Unknown.

CHICKEN, Minn., May 19.—The flood situation is becoming very serious, the rise in the Red Lake river having been very rapid by reason of continuous and copious rains.

The entire southern portion of the city is submerged. The river is two feet above high water mark. Last night the force at work building a dyke was compelled to abandon the work, and at midnight hours of labor had been swept away.

The river in places a mile wide. The bridges are held, but it is impossible to cross by boat. The losses to buildings will be largely among the poorer classes and will be felt keenly.

The cause of this great flood in part is the bursting of the St. Clair yesterday afternoon, which added a tremendous quantity of water to the already overflowing Red Lake river.

A TWISTER IN KANSAS.

Untold Damage by Cyclone South of Wichita.

WICHITA, Kan., May 19.—A terrible cyclone passed over the town of Rock, twenty miles south of here, this afternoon, but on account of communication being cut off with that place no details can be obtained.

The cyclone was plainly visible from the city. It was a very bad one. The cyclone formed where the counties of Sedgewick, Sumner, Cowley and Butler join.

DAMAGE UNKNOWN.

Authentic Reports of the Cyclone's Work Unobtainable.

FALLS CITY, Neb., May 19.—All efforts to ascertain the extent of the cyclone damage in the Otoe reservation have been unavailing. The report of forty killed and many injured cannot be verified.

The report is said to have been brought from the interior of the reservation by a party of men traveling slowly on the reservation under unfavorable circumstances, and with all forms of communication rendered difficult.

Damage by Sunday's Cyclone. KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 19.—Twenty-eight killed outright, fifty or more injured, some fatally, and a property loss aggregating \$1,000,000 is now given out as the estimated damage done by Sunday's cyclone in Missouri.

San Francisco Races. SAN FRANCISCO, May 19.—Bay District results: Six furlongs—Zobair won, Skallaw 2, Chinook 3, Time, 1:35 1/2.

Escaped from the Penitentiary. DENVER, May 19.—A special to the News from Laramie, Wyo., says: William H. Daugherty, alias Holt, alias Allen, escaped from the state penitentiary at this place early this morning.

Gold Standard Democrats. CHICAGO, N. H., May 19.—The Democratic state convention, to elect delegates-at-large to Chicago, will assemble in this city tomorrow.

Slight Skirmish. HAVANA, May 19.—It is reported here that an engagement between a detachment of Spanish troops and a force of insurgents has taken place at Carrido.

Nomination Confirmed. WASHINGTON, May 19.—The senate in executive session today confirmed the nomination of John C. Turney of Missouri to be associate justice of the supreme court of the territory of Oklahoma.

Associated Press Meeting.

NEW YORK, May 19.—A party of distinguished newspaper men left today on the Pennsylvania limited for Chicago to attend the annual meeting and banquet of the Associated Press in that city tomorrow.

BAYARD BANQUETED.

He Is Entertained by the Persian Consul General.

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LONDON, May 19.—United States Ambassador Bayard was a guest tonight at the banquet of the foreign consuls at the Hotel Cecil.

The hall was elaborately decorated with United States and British flags entwined. Mr. Alfred Rothchild presided.

Mr. Bayard, who was one of the best proxies the United States has ever had, in a speech proposed the toast of the consuls and presidents of the world.

Mr. Bayard replied to the toast "the consuls," in proposing which the Persian consul general, H. S. Foster, eulogized Mr. Bayard, who he said was honored by all the best people of the United States and Great Britain.

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BLANTHER IN STOCKTON.

The Alleged Murderer of Mrs. Langfeldt Visits That City.

STOCKTON, May 19.—Blanthier, the man wanted for the murder of the old German woman in San Francisco, is believed to have been here today at noon and left on a bicycle for Sacramento.

He called at the T. L. store at 11 o'clock and bought a suit of overalls. He was riding a wheel. The clerk who talked with him reported the matter to Sheriff Cunningham and he has been following up the matter ever since.

It was believed that the wheel had been repaired here, but could not be ascertained. The officers believe that the man was the fellow who is wanted.

INJUNCTION CASE CLOSED.

The Court Will Consider the Matter and Decide.

SACRAMENTO, May 19.—The arguments in the suit brought by the Southern Pacific Company to restrain the railroad commissioners from making reductions in freight rates was brought to a close before Judge McKenna today.

In taking the matter under his consideration, Judge McKenna paid a high tribute to the contending lawyers, whom he complimented at great length on the clearness of the arguments presented.

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ROAD FUNDS SHARED.

AN OLD TIME TROUBLE EASILY ARRANGED.

The Supervisors Make a Distribution Satisfactory to Each and All of Them.

Yesterday on motion of Supervisor Letcher, seconded by Garrett and without dispute, the following transfers from the general to the district fund were authorized: District No. 1, \$10,000; No. 2, \$15,000; No. 3, \$10,000; No. 4, \$12,000; No. 5, \$12,000.

The Interior Publishing Company was awarded the contract for printing five volumes for precept registration at \$142.50, or \$28.50 per volume. It was the lowest bid within the county.

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The fire was in No. 57 forward, amidships bunker on the starboard side. Right next to it was the magazine for the 8-inch guns, stored with powder enough to blow the great ship out of the water and wreck half the navy yard besides.

The crew were called to fire quarters, the few visitors aboard hustled ashore and warned to give the ship a wide berth and the Jack tore gut to work upon the fire. A bunker full of soft coal had caught fire by spontaneous combustion. The magazine grew hot while the men worked and the walls nearest to the fire plainly showed the effects of the heat.

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The killing grew out of a quarrel over a gambling table, Roland accusing one Fred Crown of winning his money by cheating. A row ensued in which Scollard interfered and the fight became general.

Finally Roland struck Scollard. Scollard drew a revolver and struck Roland a blow in the face with the butt of it and commenced to back towards the door leading to the saloon.

Scollard asked him repeatedly to put up the gun but his assailant continued to draw the blade in a threatening manner, whereupon Roland, reaching into his pocket and drew out a jack-knife. He did not open the knife but finally held it in his hand when Scollard, seeing the blade, fled.

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